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## *Donovan Prolongs Agony Dealing With Dictators*

Editor The Herald: Regardless of the humanitarian motive in the current effort of attorney James B. Donovan to make a deal with Castro to exchange \$62 million worth of medicine and drugs for invasion prisoners, I believe that the harm this transaction would do far outweighs the benefits, for it would further the cause of communism in Cuba.

In spite of the Cuban crisis, Mr. Donovan is going ahead

with his prisoner exchange plan, for he stated in Syracuse on October 25 that President Kennedy's quarantine of Cuba has not made the mission impossible, and that his negotiations have nothing to do with American foreign policy.

A somewhat similar situation has recently occurred in West Germany (Readers Digest, October) where Chancellor Konrad Adenauer has been

considering granting \$250 million credit sought by East Germany for coal, food and heavy equipment. News reports state that a tremendous protest against the proposal has arisen in the form of mail from people throughout Red Germany, and that East Germans are writing "We would rather starve than see Adenauer extend any help to the Reds."

Our only hope is that communism fails."

I believe we should seriously consider the consequences before making any kind of a ransom deal with ruthless dictators who will be satisfied with nothing less than world conquest.

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